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For: FAILURE DETECTION APPARATUS FOR AN INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE

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Sir:

A corrected Notice of Allowance is hereby requested in view of an error which has occurred, specifically, the filing date is incorrect. Applicants filed the above-referenced application in the Japanese language on September 4, 2003 and were given that filing date. Subsequently, applicants filed a certified English translation of the application including the surcharge with the Response to Missing Parts dated June 2, 2004. The Patent Office issued another filing receipt and subsequently the Notice of Allowance both of which indicate the later filing date. After checking the rules, applicants maintain that the original date of filing should remain as the official filing date. Correction of the Notice of Allowance is respectfully

requested. For the convenience of the Patent and Trademark Office, attached is a photocopy of the Notice of Allowance on which the error has been noted in red.

Respectfully submitted,

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TITLE OF INVENTION: FAILURE DETECTION APPARATUS FOR AN INTERNAL COMBUSTION ENGINE

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